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SUBJECT: GOI ORDERS SOLDIERS TO HELP RUN RAILROADS

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1. UNDER POWERS GRANTED THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS BY THE CONSTITUTION, THE GOI HAS MADE AVAILABLE SEGMENTS OF THE ARMY TO HELP RUN THE COUNTRY'S STRIKE-BOUND RAILROAD. EARLY REPORTS INDICATED THAT WITH SOLDIERS HELPING TO RUN THE TRAINS AND SOME OF THE AUXILIARY SERVICES, RAIL SERVICE HAS IMPROVED CONSIDERABLY.

2. THE REACTION OF THE STRIKING AUTONOMOUS UNIONS HAS BEEN PREDICTABLY NEGATIVE. THEY CLAIM THE GOVERNMENT'S ACTION REPRESENTS AN INFRINGEMENT ON THEIR RIGHT TO STRIKE. THE FEDERATION CGIL-CISL-UIL (CCU), HOWEVER, HAS REITERATED ITS SHARP CRITICISM OF THE STRIKE ACTION AND, BY IMPLICATION, APPROVED THE GOVERNMENT'S MOVE.

3. THE AUTONOMOUS AIRLINE PILOTS UNION (ANPAC) WHICH HAS BEEN ENGAGING IN SPORADIC STRIKES PRIMARILY AGAINST ALITALIA,
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SEEM TO HAVE BEEN IMPRESSED BY THE GOVERNMENT'S ACTION: THEY

HAVE AT LEAST TEMPORARILY CEASED THE WORK STOPPAGE, THOUGH
THEY HAVE ANNOUNCED THEIR INTENTION TO CONTINUE THEIR
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